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CALIFORNIA LEGISLATURE—1999–2000 REGULAR SESSION

ASSEMBLY BILL

No. 192

**Introduced by Assembly Member Scott
(Coauthors: Assembly Members Alquist, Havice, Honda,
and Wildman)**

January 21, 1999

An act to add and repeal Section 90531.5 of the Education Code, relating to the California Teacher Cadet Program, *and making an appropriation therefor*.

LEGISLATIVE COUNSEL'S DIGEST

AB 192, as amended, Scott. California Teacher Cadet Program.

Existing law establishes the California Center on Teaching Careers, administered by the California State University, for the purpose of recruiting qualified and capable individuals into the teaching profession. Existing law requires the California Center on Teaching Careers, among other things, to develop and conduct outreach activities to high school pupils and to college students.

This bill would require the California Center on Teaching Careers, in conjunction with the Superintendent of Public

Instruction and the Chancellor of the California State University, to operate the California Teacher Cadet Program for the purpose of introducing public high school pupils to the teaching profession. The bill would require the California Center on Teaching Careers to develop a grant program to assist school districts in offering yearlong coursework designed to expose pupils to teaching careers through the development of a hands-on education curriculum. The bill would require that school districts that participate in the program receive one-time grants of \$2,500 for the startup of the program. The bill would require, subject to the availability of funding, the Legislative Analyst to contract for an evaluation of this program and to report to the Legislature. ~~The bill would provide that its provisions would be implemented only if funds for that purpose are appropriated in the annual Budget Act.~~ The provisions of the bill would be repealed on January 1, 2008.

This bill would appropriate \$2,000,000 for the purposes of the California Teacher Cadet Program. Of that amount, the bill would appropriate \$25,000 to the State Department of Education for administrative costs associated with the allocation of startup grants to school districts for the program; \$75,000 to the California Center on Teaching Careers for program development assistance and outreach services related to the program; and \$1,900,000 to the State Department of Education for purposes associated with the startup of the program.

The bill would require that the appropriation for allocation to school districts be included in the amounts appropriated by the state in the 1999–2000 fiscal year for purposes of meeting the state’s minimum funding obligation to school districts and community college districts under Section 8 of Article XVI of the California Constitution for that fiscal year.

Vote: majority. Appropriation: ~~no~~ yes. Fiscal committee: yes. State-mandated local program: no.

The people of the State of California do enact as follows:

1 SECTION 1. Section 90531.5 is added to the
2 Education Code, to read:



1 90531.5. (a) The California Teacher Cadet Program
2 is hereby established and shall be operated by the
3 California Center on Teaching Careers in conjunction
4 with the Superintendent of Public Instruction and the
5 Chancellor of the California State University. The
6 program is established for the purpose of introducing
7 public secondary school pupils to the teaching profession.
8 The main purpose of the program is to encourage pupils
9 who possess a high level of academic achievement and
10 the personality traits found in good teachers to consider
11 a career in teaching.

12 (b) The California Center on Teaching Careers shall
13 develop a grant program that assists school districts in
14 offering yearlong coursework designed to expose pupils
15 to teaching careers and the education system through the
16 development of a hands-on curriculum that includes the
17 following elements:

18 (1) Classroom discussions led by the supervising
19 teacher at the high school.

20 (2) Hands-on activities designed to excite pupils about
21 teaching.

22 (3) Observation and participation in public school
23 classrooms.

24 (4) Interaction with successful administrators and
25 teachers.

26 (5) Opportunities for high school pupils to participate
27 in classrooms by tutoring, internships, and classroom
28 observation of teaching.

29 (c) A school district that participates in the California
30 Teacher Cadet Program shall receive, from funds
31 appropriated for that purpose, a one-time grant of two
32 thousand five hundred dollars (\$2,500) for the startup of
33 the program at its schoolsite that will fund the
34 development of the curriculum, purchase of materials
35 and the development of tutoring, internship and
36 observation options for the high school pupils enrolled in
37 the Teacher Cadet Program.

38 ~~(d) This section shall be implemented only if funds are~~
39 ~~appropriated for the purposes of this section. It is the~~

~~intent of the Legislature that any funding made available for this purpose be expended over a two-year period.~~

~~(e)~~

(d) The sum of two million dollars (\$2,000,000) is hereby appropriated from the General Fund on a one-time basis to be allocated as follows:

(1) Twenty-five thousand dollars (\$25,000) to the State Department of Education for administrative costs associated with the allocation of startup grants to school districts for the California Teacher Cadet Program.

(2) Seventy-five thousand dollars (\$75,000) to the California State University for the California Center on Teaching Careers for program development assistance and outreach services related to the California Teacher Cadet Program.

(3) One million nine hundred thousand dollars (\$1,900,000) to the State Department of Education for allocation to school districts for the purposes associated with startup of the California Teacher Cadet Program, as described in subdivision (c).

(e) For the purposes of making computations required by Section 8 of Article XVI of the California Constitution, the appropriation made by paragraph (3) of subdivision (d) of this section shall be deemed to be "General Fund revenues appropriated to school districts," as defined in subdivision (c) of Section 41202 for the 1999–2000 fiscal year and be included within the "total allocations to school districts and community college districts from General Fund proceeds of taxes appropriated pursuant to Article XIII B," as defined in subdivision (e) of Section 41202 for the 1999–2000 fiscal year.

(f) Subject to the availability of funding, the Legislative Analyst shall contract for an evaluation of this program and shall report to the Legislature by no later than January 1, 2004. This evaluation should include interviews with program participants regarding their views on the value of the program and whether participation in the California Teacher Cadet Program has been instrumental in encouraging the selection of

1 teaching as a major in college or as a career, and surveys
2 of colleges and universities to determine whether there
3 has been an increase in the number of pupils that
4 indicated an interest in preparing for a career in public
5 education.

6 ~~(f)~~—

7 (g) This section shall remain in effect only until
8 January 1, 2008, and as of that date is repealed, unless a
9 later enacted statute, that is enacted before January 1,
10 2008, deletes or extends that date.

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